## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT

Permittee: Glen R. DeWillie

Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers

District Engineer

On Behalf of the General Public

Permit No.: 86-000-1

Processing No.: «ACTID»

Effective Date: September 4, 2001

Expiration Date: September 4, 2006

Affirmation Date: «AFFIRM RP»

Issuing Office: U.S. Army Engineer District, Buffalo

1776 Niagara Street

Buffalo, New York 14207-3199

IMPORTANT: PRIOR TO COMMENCING THE ACTIVITY AUTHORIZED BY THIS PERMIT OR DIRECTING A CONTRACTOR TO PERFORM SUCH ACTIVITY ON YOUR BEHALF, BE SURE THAT ALL PARTIES READ, UNDERSTAND AND COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS PERMIT.

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH ANY OF THE TERMS OR CONDITIONS MAY RESULT IN AN ORDER TO REMOVE THE ACTIVITY; CIVIL AND/OR CRIMINAL PENALTIES OR BOTH.

<u>AUTHORITIES:</u> You have been authorized to undertake the activity described below pursuant to:

Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403)

and

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344)

<u>AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY</u>: Construct stone filled timber crib dock(s) and boat/jet ski hoist(s) that have received written affirmation of permit applicability from the U.S. Army Engineer District, Buffalo.

<u>LOCATION OF THE AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY:</u> Waters of the United States that are located within the State of New York and subject to regulation by the U.S. Army Engineer District,

### Buffalo.

The general public is hereby authorized by the Secretary of the Army to perform the work authorized by this permit provided the following general and special conditions are fully complied with.

NOTE: The term "you" and its derivatives, as used in this permit, mean the permittee or any future transferee. The term "this office" refers to the appropriate district or division office of the Corps of Engineers having jurisdiction over the permitted activity or the appropriate official of that office acting under the authority of the commanding officer. The term "activity" as used in this permit includes all structures and work authorized by this permit.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

- 1. The work authorized under this regional permit must be completed prior to the expiration date noted on the first page of this authorization. In the event that the affirmation date is less than twelve months prior to the expiration date, the regional permit will remain valid for a period of twelve months from the affirmation date. In no case shall authorization exceed twelve months beyond the expiration date. If you find that you need more time to begin and/or complete the authorized activity, submit your written request for a time extension to this office at least three months before the respective date(s).
- 2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, unless you make a good faith transfer to a third party in accordance with General Condition No. 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you may be required to remove the structure(s) and restore the site to its original pre-project conditions.
- 3. If you discover any previously unknown historic or archaeological remains while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify this office of what you have found. We will initiate the Federal and State coordination required to determine if the remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
- 4. If you sell the property associated with this permit, you must obtain the signature of the new owner in the space provided and forward a copy of the permit to this office to validate the transfer of this authorization.
- 5. You must allow representatives from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of your permit.
- 6. The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or

if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

7. This office reserves the right to use this regional permit in combination with any existing or future nationwide, regional or individual permit or any letter of permission.

### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

- 1. Your use of the permitted activity must not interfere with the public's right to free navigation on all navigable waters of the United States.
- 2. Structures authorized by this permit shall not extend waterward more than 100 feet from the Ordinary High Water (OHW) shoreline or 20 percent of the waterway width, whichever is less. The waterway width is measured from the Ordinary High Water shoreline perpendicular to the centerline of the waterway.
- 3. A variance in the maximum offshore distance of a structure may be granted in cases where conformity with existing structures would be practical, where exceptions would be reasonable due to the shoreline configuration, or for structures crossing shoals, wetlands or other special aquatic sites. All variances must be approved on a case by case basis by this office. Within the coastal zone, and prior to consideration by this office, variance requests must be certified by the New York State Department of State as being consistent with the State's Coastal Management Program. A copy of the consistency certification must be included in your permit application to this office.
- 4. Configuration of dock(s) may vary in plan (i.e. straight, T, U, or L shaped) provided the total length of all segments and separate structures does not exceed 150 feet and the surface area does not exceed 1200 square feet. All segments of the dock(s), including finger piers, decks, platforms, etc., must be factored into the overall length and surface area allowed by this condition. The dock(s) shall not exceed 8 feet in width.
- 5. Decks are allowed at the waterward terminus of the dock provided the total surface area of the deck does not exceed 200 square feet. Where applicable, and prior to approval by this office, dock(s) with a deck must be certified by the New York State Department of State as being consistent with the New York State Coastal Management Program. A copy of the consistency certification must be included in your permit application to this office.
- 6. Only two boat hoists or jet ski hoists per property owner are authorized by this permit.
- 7. Crib supports must be timber filled with stone. Crib supports constructed of steel or concrete caissons filled with concrete or culverts filled with concrete are not authorized by this permit. The sides of the cribs shall not be sealed and must have openings amounting to at least 40 percent of the peripheral area of the crib. Fill placed in the cribs must be clean stone large enough so as not to pass through the crib openings. The shoreward support or footer for the

dock shall be placed above the Ordinary High Water shoreline. A variance in the location of the first crib may be granted in cases where the shoreline configuration or rock outcropping prevents placement of the dock support or footer above the Ordinary High Water shoreline. A variance may also be granted when the shoreward crib is part of an existing structure and this permit is being used for a dock extension as discussed in Special Condition No. 15. Variance requests must state the particular reason(s) for the requests including site specific information (i.e., site photos) in support of the request.

- 8. The total length of all cribs must not exceed 50 percent of the total length of each dock. The length of individual cribs must not exceed 10 feet in Lakes Erie and Ontario or the Niagara and St. Lawrence Rivers; and 8 feet in all other water bodies. The dimensions of the individual cribs may vary, but must not exceed 64 square feet.
- 9. Dock(s) may cross wetland provided that cribs are not located in wetland areas. The dock segment crossing a wetland area must be pile supported, and must not exceed 4 feet in width. The underside of the dock must also be a minimum of 4 feet above the ground surface. During the evaluation of applications for dock(s) in wetland areas consideration will be given to the size and type of the wetland area and the existence of other structures. Any proposal that would result in fragmentation of the contiguous wetlands or essentially overcrowd the wetland with docks and related human activity so as to adversely impact the functions and values of the wetland will not be authorized by this regional permit.
- 10. To the maximum extent practicable, dock(s) shall cross wetlands so that dredging for access to the dock is not required. If dredging is required, separate authorization must be obtained. If separate authorization is requested, this permit can only be used to authorize the dock when the dredge area is limited to the minimum amount necessary to provide access to the dock. The minimum amount necessary may vary from site to site but should generally not exceed a channel 15 feet in width.
- 11. Side staving, if used, shall not extend lower than one half of the distance between the Ordinary High and Low Water levels.
- 12. Timbers used for the construction of in-water structures must be pressure treated with a preservative and treatment process approved by the American Wood Preservative Association. Wood treated with creosote or Pentachlorophenol must be aged in the open air for at least three months prior to water use. Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) pressure treated wood must be clean and free of CCA surface deposits. Wood with surface deposits must be washed for at least 5 minutes under running water prior to use. Any wood debris such as sawdust or wash water must not enter any water body including wetlands.
- 13. Where necessary, dredging is limited to the minimum amount necessary for crib placement and shall not exceed 20 cubic yards. Dredged stone that meets the criteria specified in Special Condition No. 5 may be used in the cribs. All other dredged material must be deposited on upland property and stabilized to prevent reentry into waters of the United States, including wetlands.
- 14. All structures authorized by this permit must be set back a minimum of 10 feet from the

common boundary line of adjoining properties that are under separate ownership. The setback is measured at the point where the common boundary terminates at the Ordinary High Water shoreline. A variance in this distance may be granted where there are natural limiting features or limited shoreline available and coordination with adjacent property owner(s) has occurred. All variances must be approved by this office on a case by case basis.

- 15. Multiple docks or extensions to existing docks are authorized by this permit provided that the proposed or all existing and proposed docks meet the size limitations and other conditions of this permit. For example, a property owner may construct two docks each being 75 feet in length by 8 feet in width or a property owner with an existing dock 60 feet in length by 8 feet in width may construct a second dock 90 feet in length and 8 feet in width. When existing docks are present, all such structures, regardless of the type of construction (i.e., timber crib or pile supported) must be considered in determining compliance with this special condition.
- 16. This permit does not authorize the placement on any dock(s) of enclosed buildings, boathouses, fuel storage tanks, sinks, toilets, showers, fuel dispensing or sanitary pump-out facilities waterward of the Ordinary High Water shoreline.
- 17. For activities and structures located in New York State Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitats or an area covered by an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, you must furnish the New York State Department of State with a certification statement that your action is consistent with the State's Coastal Management Plan. Activities and/or structures located in these Significant Habitats are approved by this regional permit only when you obtain an individual consistency certification concurrence for your project from the New York State Department of State. No work shall be started under this permit until the concurrence has been secured or the State has failed to act on the consistency certification within six months and the certification is presumed. You must comply with all conditions of your individual Coastal certification concurrence. In addition, you must furnish the District Engineer, Buffalo District, with a copy of the CZM certification concurrence letter or a dated copy of the consistency certification that you provided to the New York State Department of State.

Consistency statements should be forwarded to:

New York State Department of State Division of Coastal Resources 41 State Street, 8th Floor Albany, New York 12231-0001 Telephone (518) 474-6000

18. Prior to or immediately following construction of the dock(s) authorized by this permit you shall contact the U.S. Coast Guard to determine if any safety lights or signals are required. If directed by the U.S. Coast Guard, you shall install and maintain these devices at your expense. The U.S. Coast Guard can be reached by calling (216) 522-3990 or by writing to:

Commander (OAN)

Ninth Coast Guard District ATTN: Private Aids to Navigation 1240 East Ninth Street Cleveland, Ohio 44199-2060

- 19. The District Engineer reserves the right to include any additional special conditions.
- 20. **Notification** is required to this office for activities located within sensitive areas. The notification is required for these waterways due to the need for site specific reviews for the protection of Federally threatened or endangered species. The Buffalo District will give the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service a five day review period related to this matter. **Applicants shall not commence work in these waterways** under this permit until the notification process is completed and the applicant receives written verification that the work may proceed. **A list of these areas is attached.**
- 21. All in-water work shall be restricted to dates that will preclude the adverse impacts to indigenous fish species. These dates will be obtained from the District Engineer and/or the appropriate New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regional office.

# **EXCLUSIONS:**

This permit does not apply to:

- 1. Activities that have an effect on historic, cultural or archaeological sites identified in the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places, or sites eligible for inclusion in this register, unless the State Historic Preservation Officer makes a determination that the effect will not be adverse.
- 2. Activities that have an effect on sites included in the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Landmarks, which are published periodically in this register, unless the State Historic Preservation Officer makes a determination that the effect will not be adverse.
- 3. Any other areas named in Acts of Congress or Presidential Proclamations as National Wilderness Areas, National Recreational Areas, Lakeshores, Parks, Monuments and such areas as may be established under Federal Law for similar and related purposes, such as estuaries and marine sanctuaries, except where specifically authorized by this regional permit.
- 4. Activities that have an effect on a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, or areas listed in the Nationwide Rivers Inventory, Final List of Rivers for New York as published by the U.S. Department of the Interior, or in a component of a State Wild and Scenic River. Activities located in these areas will be evaluated on a case by case basis, which will include coordination with the National Park Service and/or the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.
- 5. Activities that have an effect on rivers currently being studied at the direction of Congress as potential additions to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, or rivers for

which Wild and Scenic Rivers studies have been completed and forwarded to Congress and which Congress is still considering. Activities located in these areas will be evaluated on a case by case basis, which will include coordination with the National Park Service.

- 6. Activities performed or proposed, unless the property owner has submitted a written request for authorization describing the activity, and the District Engineer has determined that it complies with the terms and conditions of this permit.
- 7. Structures which may jeopardize the continued existence of species listed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, or result in the likelihood of the destruction or adverse modification of a habitat which is determined by the Secretary of the Interior or Commerce, as appropriate, to be critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.
- 8. Sites within the permit area that are located on barrier beaches or when it is determined by the District Engineer that the work would adversely impact a barrier beach.

# LIMITS OF THIS AUTHORIZATION:

- 1. The granting of this permit does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State or local authorizations as required by law. Specifically, a permit pursuant to the Environmental Conservation Law Articles 15, 24 or 34 may be required from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.
- 2. Issuance of this permit does not grant you any property rights or exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.
- 3. This permit does not authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project, nor does it convey any authority to interfere with the right of the public to free navigation on all navigable waters of the United States.

<u>LIMITS OF FEDERAL LIABILITY:</u> In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following:

- 1. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes.
- 2. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States in the public interest.
- 3. Damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit.
- 4. Design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work.
- 5. Damages associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this

permit.

RELIANCE ON APPLICANT'S DATA: The determination of this office that issuance of this permit is not contrary to the public interest was made in reliance on the information you provided.

RE-EVALUATION OF THE DECISION TO GRANT A REGIONAL PERMIT: This office may re-evaluate its decision on this permit at any time circumstances warrant. Circumstances that could require a re-evaluation include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. You fail to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.
- 2. The information provided by you in support of your application proves to have been false, incomplete, or inaccurate.
- 3. Significant information surfaces which this office did not consider in reaching the original public interest decision.

Such a re-evaluation may result in a determination that it is appropriate to use the suspension, modification, and revocation procedures contained in Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 325.7 or enforcement procedures such as those contained in Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations Parts 326.4 and 326.5. The referenced enforcement procedures provide for the issuance of an administrative order requiring you to comply with the terms and conditions of your permit and for the initiation of legal action where appropriate. You will be required to pay for any corrective measures ordered by this office, and if you fail to comply with such directive, this office may, in certain situations (such as those specified in Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 209.170) accomplish the corrective measures by contract or otherwise and bill you for the cost.

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EXTENSIONS: General Condition 1 establishes a time limit for the completion of the activity authorized by this permit. Unless there are circumstances requiring either a prompt completion of the authorized activity or a re-evaluation of the public interest decision, the Corps will normally give favorable consideration to a request for an extension of this time limit. Extension requests must be submitted in accordance with the directions given in General Condition 1.

# BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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with its terms and conditions, have the transf	Feree sign and date below.
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Table 1. Locations of Federally-Listed Threatened and Endangered Species that may be affected by the proposed GP 86-000-1 (Timber Crib Docks) within the Jurisdiction of the Buffalo District.

County	Townships/Watershed	Species	Avoidance Action <sup>1</sup>
Cayuga	Conquest, Cato	Bald Eagle	1
Cattaraugu s	Perrysburg, Cattaraugus Indian Reservation, Elko, Salamanca, Allegheny	Bald Eagle	1
	HUCs 05010001 and 05010002	Clubshell, Northern Riffleshell	1
Chautauqu a	Chautauqua, Westfield, Ripley, Hanover	Bald Eagle	1
	HUCs 05010001, 05010002, and 05010004	Clubshell, Northern Riffleshell	1
Erie	Cattaraugus Indian Reservation	Bald Eagle	1
Genesee	Alabama	Bald Eagle	1
	Bergen	Bog Turtle, Houghton's Goldenrod	1
Jefferson	Orleans, Brownville	Bald Eagle	1
	Brownville, Watertown, Hounsville	Indiana Bat	2
	Henderson, Ellisburg	Piping Plover	1
Livingston	Springwater, Conesus	Bald Eagle	1
Onondaga	Cicero	Bog Turtle	1
	Dewitt	Indiana Bat	2
	Manlius, Lafavette, Onondaga	Indiana Bat	2
	Pompey, Fabius	Prairie Fringed Orchid, Indiana Bat	1, 2
Ontario	Canadice, South Bristol	Bald Eagle	1
Oswego	Amboy, Richmond, Oswego	Bog Turtle	1
	Sandy Creek, Richland	Piping Plover	1
	Redfield	Bald Eagle	1
St. Lawrence	Parishville, Hammond	Bald Eagle	1
Schuyler	Dix	Leedy's Roseroot	1
Seneca	Junius	Bog Turtle	1
	Tyre	Bald Eagle	1
Wayne	Arcadia	Bog Turtle, Prairie Fringed Orchid	1
	Savannah	Bald Eagle	1
Yates	Starkey	Leedy's Roseroot	1
	Middlesex, Italy	Bald Eagle	1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Avoidance Action Codes: 1) The Corps must give the Service 5 days notice to review project

and provide comments. 2) The Corps must give the Service 5 days notice to review any project that includes tree removal between April 1 and November 1.

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